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## *The Noctuary*

I go walking in black night  
other worldly—  
Way lit by moon and street light  
leaves clitter clatter  
scatter at my feet—  
I stop to search  
a flower's sleeping face  
pink petals open at my gaze  
I am the Queen  
of In Between—

Sidewalk shines in silver rain  
water runs in rivulets  
through cracks  
I do not step on—  
At the house on the corner  
a white door opens  
someone dead  
calls my name from within  
my blood red shoes  
glide on—

An angel statue guards  
the street between  
dark and light  
her terrible face/seeing eyes—  
I wave my hand  
she falls to stony pieces  
on I walk—  
I am the Queen  
Goodnight  
Goodnight

*-Tricia Marcella Cimera*